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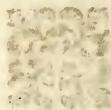
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A GREEABLY to an order of the Most Worshipful JOHN HALL, one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of this State, as Grand Master of Masons, the Grand Lodge of North-Carolina and Tennessee convened in their Lodge Room in the city of Raleigh, on the Evening of Wednesday, the 3d day of December, A. L. 5806, A. D. 1806, when were

PRESENT,

The Most Worshipful the Honorable John Hall,
Grand Master.

R. w. Gen. Montfort Stokes, Deputy Grand Master.

R. w. Robert Cochran, Grand S. Warden, *pro tem.*

R. w. William Duffy, Grand Junior Warden.

R. w. Robert Williams, Grand Secretary.

R. w. William Boylan, Grand Treasurer.

Gen. Benjamin Smith, Grand S. Deacon.

Doctor Calvin Jones, Grand J. Deacon.

His Excellency Nathaniel Alexander, Governor of
this State; Grand Marshall.

Thomas Pound, Grand Tyler.

Member—Peter Caffo.

Visitors—Daniel M'Millan, Robert Troy and Atlas
Jones.

Representatives, to wit.

From St. John Lodge, No. 1, Wilmington—Gen.
Benjamin Smith.

Royal Edwin, 5, Windsor—Brother Prentice Law.

Phoenix, No. 8, Fayetteville—Brothers William Duffy and Robert Cochran.

Old Cone, No. 9, Salisbury—Gen. John Steele and Gen. Montfort Stokes.

Washington, No. 15, Beaufort county—Brother Wm. Boylan.

King Solomon, No. 18, Jones county—Gen. Durant Hatch.

Hiram, No. 24, Williamsborough—Brother William Robards.

Panosophia, No. 25, Moore county—Brothers Jacob Gaster and Conner Dowd.

Mount Moria, No. 27, Iredell county—Brothers Andrew Caldwell and Geo. L. Davidson.

Phalanx, No. 31, Charlotte—Brother S. Lowrie.

Stokes, No. 32, Cabarrus county—Brother S. Lowrie.

Davie, No. 39, Bertie co.—Brother Prentice Law.

Hiram, No. 40, City of Raleigh—Brothers Calvin Jones, Theophilus Hunter, and Jonathan Brickell.

Liberty, No. 45, Wilkes county—Brothers William Hulme and John Martin.

Social, No. 46, Pittsborough—Brothers Wm. Warden and Wm. Dismukes.

The Lodge was opened in due form.

Ordered, That a charter issue, constituting a Lodge in Carteret county, to be holden in the town of Beaufort, by the name of Taylor, No. 48, directed to Micajah Pigott, Master, Jeconius Pigott, Senior Warden, William Fisher, Junior Warden.

Ordered, That a charter issue, constituting a Lodge in Martin county, in the town of Hamilton, by the name of Young Eagle, No. 49, directed to Jesse Jones,

Master, Jeremiah Slade, Senior Warden, and Wm. Pierce, Junior Warden.

For reasons shewn to this Grand Lodge, it is ordered that the arrears due from Old Cone Lodge, No. 9, in the town of Salisbury, amounting to the sum of thirty-eight pounds, which accrued previous to the year 1800, be remitted on the books of the Grand Treasurer.

Ordered, That the charters of the following Lodges be arrested for reasons shewn to this Grand Lodge; and that said Lodges hereafter be declared dissolved, to wit:—St. John, No. 13, Duplin county; St. Tammany, No. 16, Martin county; Davie Glasgow, No. 26, Greene county; Unanimity, No. 34, Rockford, Surry county; Columbia, No. 28, Wayne county; and St. John, No. 4, Kinston.

Ordered, That the sum of thirty pounds, be remitted to King Solomon Lodge, No. 18, Jones county, on the books of the Grand Treasurer, for reasons adduced satisfactorily to this Grand Lodge.

Ordered, That the Grand Treasurer be authorized to settle the accounts of Mount Moria Lodge, No. 27, and pass to them such credits as he may deem proper.

Ordered, That Brothers Gen. John Steele, William Duffy and Robert Cochran, be appointed a committee to examine the Treasurer's Books, and report, &c.

Ordered, That brothers Gen. Benjamin Smith, Gen. Durant Hatch, Gen. Montfort Stokes, Jeremiah Slade, Doctor Calvin Jones, and Samuel Lowrie, be appointed to examine the communications made to us from other Grand Lodges in North America.

The Grand Lodge adjourned.

Friday, December 5th, A. L. 5806, A. D. 1806.

The Grand Lodge met according to adjournment,
when were

PRESFNT,

The Most Worshipful the Honorable John Hall,
Grand Master.

R. w. Gen. Montfort Stokes, Deputy Grand Master.

R. w. Robert Cochran, G. S. W.

R. w. Samuel Lowrie, G. J. W. *pro tem.*

R. w. Robert Williams, Grand Secretary.

R. w. William Boylan, Grand Treasurer.

Gen. Benjamin Smith, G. S. D.

Doctor Doctor Calvin Jones, G. J. D.

Thomas Pound, Grand Tyler.

Members—The Honorable John Lewis Taylor, Ed-
ward Jones, William Polk and Peter Caffo.

Visitors—Duncan Cameron and Atlas Jones.

Representatives, to wit :

From St. John, No. 1, Wilmington—Gen. Benjamin
Smith.

Royal White Heart, No. 2, Halifax—Brothers M. C.
Whitaker and Wm. Lockhart.

St. John, No. 3, Newbern—The Honorable Judge
Taylor and Francis X. Martin.

Phcenix, No. 8, Fayetteville—Brothers William Duf-
fy and Robert Cochran.

Old Cone, No. 9, Salisbury—Brothers Gen. John
Steele and Gen. Montfort Stokes.

Washington, No. 15, Beaufort county—brother Wm.
Boylan.

King Solomon, No. 18, Jones county—brother Fran-
cis X. Martin.

Hiram, No. 24, Granville county—Brothers William Sneed and William Robards.

Mount Moria, No. 27, Iredell—Brothers Andrew Caldwell and George and L. Davidson.

Phalanx, No. 31, Charlotte—brother S. Lowrie.

Stokes, No. 32, Cabarrus county—brother S. Lowrie.

Davie, No. 39, Bertie co.—brother Prentice Law.

Hiram, No. 40, City of Raleigh—Brothers Doctor Jones and Jonathan Brickle.

Liberty, No. 45, Wilkes county—Brothers William Hulme and John Martin.

Newport, by dispensation in Tennessee—Robert Williams.

The Lodge was opened in due form.

Ordered. That Jeremiah Slade and Matthew C. Whitaker, be appointed a committee to settle the accounts of Royal Edwin Lodge, No. 5, Windsor, and report their opinion and statement thereof to the next grand annual communication.

Ordered. That a notice issue to the Lodge in Nashville, state of Tennessee; Federal, No. 42, Pitt co. and to Friendship, No. 36, Fort Barnwell, to appear at the next grand annual communication of this Grand Lodge, and shew cause if any they have, why their charters respectively shall not be arrested.

The committee to whom was referred the examination of the state of the Treasury, made the following report :

That they find by receipts up to the first day of December, 1805, to be in the hands of the Grand Treasurer, the sum of £.434 16 5 1-2 : four hundred and thirty four pounds, sixteen shillings and five pence half penny. That the necessary disbursements

amount to £70 8 9 : seventy pounds, eight shillings and nine pence. Which latter sum taken from the former, leaves in the hands of the Grand Treasurer the sum of 364 £. 7 8 1-2 : three hundred and sixty four pounds seven shillings and eight pence half penny.

Ordered, That a charter issue, constituting a Lodge called Newport, in the town of Newport, in the state of Tennessee, No. 4 of the state of Tennessee, No. 50 on the Grand Archives ; to be directed to Henry Stephen, Master, Nathaniel Mitchell, Senior Warden, and Augustine Jenkins, Junior Warden.

Ordered, That Gen. Durant Hatch and Francis X. Martin, be appointed a committee to enquire into the case of Mr. — Ives, formerly a member of St. John Lodge, No. 3, Newbern, and make a report thereof to the next grand annual communication.

The Grand Lodge being informed by the most worshipful the honorable John Lewis Taylor, past Grand Master, now one of the representatives of St. John's Lodge, No. 3, Newbern, that the worshipful Francis Lothrop, the Master of said Lodge, died on the — day of October last past : therefore

Resolved unanimously, That this Grand Lodge hear with great concern, that the fraternity have been deprived of a worthy brother in the person of said Francis Lothrop ; who, for several years past, has been an useful and zealous member of the Grand Lodge : That the Grand Secretary do record this event in the books of the Grand Lodge, and apprise the several Lodges of it, and announce the great grief which they feel on the occasion.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to the election of the

Grand Officers for the ensuing year, when was elected

The Honorable John Hall, one of the Judges of the Supreme Court of this State, Grand Master.

The Right Worshipful Major-General Montfort Stokes, Clerk to the Legislature of this State, Deputy Grand Master.

The Right Worshipful Robert Cochran, Grand Senior Warden.

The Right Worshipful William Duffy, Grand Junior Warden.

The Right Worshipful Robert Williams, Grand Secretary.

The Right Worshipful William Boylan, Grand Treasurer.

Who were severally installed in due form according to the ancient usages of Masonry.

The Most Worshipful the Grand Master then did appoint

The Honorable General Benjamin Smith, Grand Senior Deacon.

The Honorable Alexander Martin, L. L. D. late Governor of North-Carolina, and late one of the Senators from this State in the Congress of the United States, Grand Junior Deacon.

The Honorable General John Steele, late the Comptroller of the Treasury of the United States, Grand Pursuivant.

His Excellency Nathaniel Alexander, Governor, Captain-General of North-Carolina, Grand Marshal.

This Grand Lodge then adjourned *sine die*.

Test,

ROBERT WILLIAMS,

Grand Secretary.

A LIST OF LODGES

Under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of North-Carolina and Tennessee.

St. John,	No. 1—Wilmington
Royal White Heart,	2—Halifax
St. John,	3—Newbern
Royal Edwin,	5—Windsor
Phoenix,	8—Fayetteville
Old Cone,	9—Salisbury
Johnston Caswell,	10—Warrenton
Washington,	15—Beaufort county
American George,	17—Murfreesborough
King Solomon,	18—Jones county
Hiram,	24—Williamsborough, Granville
Pansophia,	25—Moore county
Mount Moria,	27—Iredell county
Harmony, No. 1, of } Tennessee,	29—Nashville, state of Ten.
St. Tammany,	30—Wilmington
Phalanx,	31—Charlotte, Mecklenburg co.
Stokes,	32—Cabarrus county
Freeland	33—Rowan county
Jerusalem,	35—Carteret county
Friendship,	36—Fort Barnwell
Davie,	39—Bertie county
Hiram,	40—City of Raleigh
Tennessee, No. 2, of } the state of Ten- nessee,	41—Knoxville
Federal,	42—Pitt county
Greeneville, No. 3 of } Tennessee,	43—Greeneville, Tennessee
Williams,	44—Johnstonville, Randolph co.
Liberty,	45—Wilkesborough, Wilkes co.
Social,	46—Pittsborough, Chatham co.
Orange,	47—Lincoln county
Taylor,	48—Beaufort
Young Eagle,	49—Martin county
Newport, No. 4, of } Tennessee,	50—Newport, in the state of Tennessee.

*The following song was sung by Brother Nathaniel Pinkham,
and at the request of several Members of the Grand Lodge, is
printed and transmitted to the subordinate Lodges.*

BEFORE I became a Free Mason,
Some said it was a damnable thing ;
Some said 'twas witchcraft and treason,
And swore that the devil reign'd king :
But I thought to myself I would venture,
And went without further delay,
With a firm resolution to enter,
To a Lodge then I hasted away.

II.

I met an old friend and relation,
Whom I heard was a Mason before ;
To whom I soon made application—
He carried the news to the door,
And bid me to tarry with patience,
And strait to the room did repair ;
So soon he return'd with an answer,
And bid me to come and prepare.

III.

Good Heavens ! then how my heart panted,
Expecting to meet with old nick,
The report I had taken for granted,
My conscience began for to prick ;
But I found it a matter more serious,
Tho' never a word I yet spoke ;
The way that I went was mysterious,
I felt in no humor to joke.

IV.

Thro' dark, dismal shades how I blunder'd,
Lord help me in private I cried ;
With a voice unto me seem'd thunder,
One question my friend and my guide :
Says Brother who is this you're leading,
My case unto him he made known ;
My guide was my lawyer in pleading,
He carried my cause to the throne.

V.

Then wisdom he taught me my duty,
He gave me new light to mine eyes,
I was struck with such majestic beauty,
It filled my poor heart with surprise.
When he told me that I was his Brother,
And that we had nothing to fear,
So we love and respect one another,
So come and partake of our cheer.

VI.

But what I there saw I wont tell you,
But this I can say without fear ;
I found something good for my belly,
And believe me there is no devil there.
So now for to tell you my mind, sir,
But not what was told unto me ;
Before I went there I was blind, sir,
But now with both eyes I can see.

North Carolina
& Tennessee
Dec 3. 1806